

REMARKS

In light of the Board's decision reversing the Examiner's rejection of Claims 4-11, 14, 16 and 17, the claims have been amended, to accept the allowed claims by place certain dependent ones in independent form.

More specifically, claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the limitations of claims 3 and 4 and thus constitutes previous claim 4 in independent form. As a result, previous claims 3 and 4 are now cancelled.

Allowed claim 5 has been amended to depend on amended claim 1 and is thus otherwise unchanged in scope.

Allowed claim 7 has also been amended to place it in independent form.

The limitations of allowed claim 14 and of original claim 13 have been placed in claim 12. Thus this claim constitutes claim 14 in independent form.

In a like manner, claim 16 has been amended to place it in independent form.

Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that this case is now in condition for favorable action.

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